

# REMOVAL OF MEMBER AS CONFEREE ON H.R. 4628, INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. REHBERG). Without objection, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. HASTINGS) is removed as a conferee on H.R. 4628, since he is no longer a member of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will notify the Senate of the change in conferee.

## ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2002

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9:30 a.m. on Monday next for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There was no objection.

## DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There was no objection.

## APPOINTMENT OF THE HON. MAC THORNBERRY TO ACT AS SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE TO SIGN ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS THROUGH TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2002

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

THE SPEAKER'S ROOMS,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, October 3, 2002.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MAC THORNBERRY to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through October 8, 2002.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the appointment is approved.

There was no objection.

## APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO ATTEND FUNERAL OF THE LATE HONORABLE PATSY T. MINK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 566, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House to the committee to attend the funeral of the late Patsy T. Mink:

Mr. ABERCROMBIE of Hawaii;  
Mr. GEPHARDT of Missouri;  
Ms. PELOSI of California;  
Mr. OBEY of Wisconsin;  
Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California;  
Mr. SENSENBRENNER of Wisconsin;  
Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA of American Samoa;  
Ms. DELAURO of Connecticut;  
Ms. WATERS of California;  
Mrs. CLAYTON of North Carolina;  
Ms. ESHOO of California;  
Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas;  
Mr. MICA of Florida;  
Mr. SCOTT of Virginia;  
Mr. UNDERWOOD of Guam;  
Ms. WOOLSEY of California;  
Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas;  
Ms. LOFGREN of California;  
Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD of California;  
Ms. LEE of California;  
Mr. KIND of Wisconsin;  
Mr. WU of Oregon; and  
Ms. WATSON of California.

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain 1-minute at this time.

## TRIBUTE TO NANCEE ANN BLOCKINGER, CHIEF OF STAFF TO HON. JAMES V. HANSEN, ON HER RETIREMENT

(Mr. HANSEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HANSEN. Mr. Speaker, I stand today to proudly pay tribute to my Chief of Staff, Nancee Ann Blockinger. Nancee has stood with me for my entire career in the United States Congress. For 22 years she has served me, the people of Utah, and the people of this country with unsurpassed dedication.

Her hard work and loyalty has earned her the reputation among staff and Members as a consummate professional. I have never had to worry about how my office was being run or our compliance with House rules. I knew Nancee was on top of it. Her intelligence, hard work, and caring attitude has made a difference in more ways than I could ever imagine.

My staff and I extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to Nancee, and recognize all that she has unselfishly given of herself over the past 22 years. Her career on Capitol Hill has indeed touched many lives, and her service will be remembered with fondness.

I am honored to pay tribute to Nancee today in front of this distinguished body of Congress. She is my Chief of Staff, my friend, and I wish her only the very best in her retirement.

## RECOGNIZING GARDEN GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR BEING CHOSEN AS FINALIST FOR BROAD FOUNDATION AWARD

(Ms. SANCHEZ asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SANCHEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Garden Grove Unified School District, which I am proud to represent, for being selected as one of the five finalists nationwide for the Eli Broad Foundation Award.

As a finalist, Garden Grove Unified was recognized as one of the top five urban school districts in the Nation, and for that it receives \$125,000 in student scholarships.

There are nearly 50,000 students in schools in the very diverse Garden Grove Unified School District. They come speaking more than 60 languages, and come from many different cultures.

The finalists were chosen for their work in improving overall student achievement and for narrowing achievement gaps, in particular for high-risk students. This prize recognizes the hard work of the teachers and the support staff of the Unified School District, and I applaud the district's efforts to overcome language and economic barriers to give our students a high-quality education.

## COMMENDING MONTGOMERY COUNTY FIRST RESPONDERS, POLICE, AND RESCUE PERSONNEL, AND MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THEIR RESPONSE TO SHOOTINGS

(Mrs. MORELLA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, our thoughts, our hearts, and our prayers go out to the victims and the families of those five people who were senselessly gunned down last night and today in Montgomery County, Maryland.

The tales of these tragic shootings are still emerging. At this point, we do not know who has perpetuated these crimes, and we do not know the twisted motivation. What we do know is that this senseless violence has touched all segments of our community: women and men, African Americans, white, Hispanic, the old, the young.

I recognize this is a very difficult, scary time for our community, but I want to commend our Montgomery County first responders, our police, our rescue personnel. They are doing a terrific job under the most difficult, extreme circumstances.

I want to acknowledge all of the agencies involved in this preliminary investigation, local, State, District of Columbia, the FBI, the Secret Service. Homeland Security contacted our county also to offer their assistance.